

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 18
was approved as Minute Item
No. 18 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
to 0 at its 1/26/77
meeting.

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APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DRILLING
OF NEW WELL

LEASE: State Gas Lease Easement 415
LESSEE: Standard Oil Company of California
Land Department
P. O. Box 7643
San Francisco, California 94120
COUNTY: Sacramento and Solano.
AREA: Rio Vista Gas Field.

PERTINENT INFORMATION:

Standard has requested approval to drill well
"Rio Vista State" No. 18. The well will be
directionally drilled from an existing drill
site on private land and bottomed under the
Sacramento River within State Lease E 415.

The proposed well will be completed upstructure
from existing "Rio Vista State" No. 16.
Based on data from Well No. 16, the proposed
well has the potential to produce 3,000 Mcf
per day. Using the current price of \$1.20 per
Mcf, income to the State could be as much
as \$30,000 per month.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION:

Standard Oil Company requested a conditional
use permit to drill the well from the Sacramento
County Project Planning Commission. An initial
study was performed by the Sacramento County
Environmental Impact Section covering the pro-
posed project. As a result thereof it was
determined that the project would not have a
significant effect on the environment and that
the preparation of an Environmental Impact
Report pursuant to the provisions of CEQA was
not required. A Negative Declaration was pro-
pared by the Environmental Coordinator of
Sacramento County and filed with the County
Clerk of Sacramento County. The Negative
Declaration was circulated through the State
Clearinghouse and filed with the State Lands
Commission.

Comments received by the County on the project
Negative Declaration are on file in the office
of the State Lands Commission and by reference

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made a part hereof. The comments did not raise any questions or identify any significant adverse environmental impacts. The environmental documents have been reviewed by the staff, and it is the staff's opinion that the intent of the provisions of CEQA have been satisfied.

OTHER PERTINENT DATA:

1. A Use Permit covering the project has been issued by the Sacramento County Project Planning Commission.
2. Drilling of the well has been approved by the California Division of Oil and Gas.
3. The proposed drilling and completion program has been reviewed by the State Lands Division and determined to be in accordance with good engineering practices and the rules and regulations of the Commission.

EXHIBITS: A. Location Map. B. Negative Declaration.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. DETERMINE THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT BUT THAT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION HAS BEEN PREPARED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR OF SACRAMENTO COUNTY.
2. CERTIFY THAT THE COMMISSION HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND THE COMMENTS THAT WERE RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE CIRCULATION OF THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION.
3. DETERMINE THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.
4. AUTHORIZE THE APPROVAL OF DRILLING WELL "RIO VISTA STATE" NO. 18 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF STATE GAS LEASE EASEMENT 415 AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.